

twelve months, to the proprietor of the land, except his just proportion of the expences of surveying, laying out, plotting and bounding, the said town, which shall be paid in ready money; and the said lots so sold, shall be struck off to the highest bidder, but the property shall not be vested in him until bond and security given, and the ready money paid as aforesaid; provided, that no lot containing half an acre of ground, shall be struck off at a less price than seven pounds ten shillings, and so in proportion for lots of less size."

Page 11. After the word "to" in the 2d line, insert the word "purchase," and after the word "than" in the same line, strike out the word "one," and insert the word "three." Same page, after the word "divided" in the 4th line, insert the word "plotted," and after the word "aforesaid" in the same line, insert the words "and no proprietor of the said land shall hold more than three lots over and above every fifth lot, reserved to him by this act, within the said term of twelve months," and strike out to the end of the clause. Strike out the clause beginning at the 4th line of the 13th page.

Page 13. After the word "survey" in the 2d line from the bottom, insert the word "plot."

Page 14. In the 8th line strike out from the word "aforesaid" to the end of the clause, and insert the words "such sum as the said commissioners shall think reasonable to be paid as herein after directed."

Page 15. After the word "up" in the 8th line, insert the words "or purchased, as the case may be." And after the word "for" in the 9th line, strike out the words "or of the tender or refusal as aforesaid."

Page 16. After the word "him" in the 2d line, strike out the word "kept" and insert the word "recorded." Same page, after the word "paid" in the 6th line, strike out to the end of the clause, and insert the words "as herein after directed." After the 1st clause insert, "And be it enacted, That the said lots to be laid out as aforesaid, together with the lots already laid out, and public ground aforesaid, shall be erected into a town, and called Talbot."

Page 17. After the word "mentioned" in the 6th line, insert "And be it enacted, That each of the said commissioners shall be allowed the sum of ten shillings, current money for every day he shall attend for the purpose of carrying this act into execution, and all expences that shall be incurred in consequence of any thing done under this act shall be paid and satisfied out of the first monies that shall be paid to the said commissioners, either by persons taking up or purchasing the said lots." Same page, at the end of the bill, insert "and all and every person and persons so keeping or raising any geese or swine within the said town, except as before excepted, shall forfeit and pay for every time such geese or swine, or any one of them, shall be found going at large in said town, the sum of five pounds current money, to be recovered by the said commissioners, or the major part of them, before a single magistrate, and applied by them to the use of the said town."

Also a bill, entitled An act ascertaining what shall be recovered on protested bills of exchange, and to repeal an act of assembly therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the senate, January 24, 1786: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, February 8, 1786: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

And the bill relating to the public buildings in Caroline county, endorsed; "By the senate, December 29, 1785: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, February 8, 1786: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Amendments proposed. Page 2. In the 6th line from the bottom, strike out from the word "county" to the end of the clause, and insert the words "on a convenient and proper part of the land near Melvill's warehouse upon Choptank river in said county."

Page 3. In the 10th line strike out the words "on the lot of ground," and insert "at the place," and after the word "aforesaid" in the 11th line of the same page, insert "And be it enacted, That the said commissioners, or a major part of them, shall have full power and authority, at any time before the first day of June next, to agree with the owner or owners of the land at the place aforesaid, for the purchase of two acres thereof, most convenient and proper for a court-house and gaol to be erected on, and if such land can be purchased, a deed shall be taken for the same from the owner or owners, to the justices of Caroline county and their successors, for ever; and if the commissioners aforesaid cannot purchase the lands aforesaid from the owner or owners by the day aforesaid, or the owner or owners should be under any disability to convey the same, then the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall as soon as may be thereafter, cause to be surveyed, laid out and plotted, two acres of land at the place aforesaid, the most convenient for the purposes aforesaid; and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, by warrant under their hands, direct the sheriff of the said county to summon, and cause to come at the place aforesaid, on a certain day in such warrant to be mentioned, eighteen good and sufficient men of the county aforesaid, none of whom to be interested in the said land, or related to the owner or owners, and thereupon the sheriff of the said county shall summon such eighteen good and sufficient men aforesaid, under the penalty of twenty pounds current money, and every person so summoned shall attend agreeably to the summon, unless prevented by sickness or other unavoidable accident, under the penalty of five pounds current money, and the persons so summoned shall, at the